ALABAMA BAPTIST HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MINUTES

OF THE

FORTY SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION

OF THE

TUSKALOOSA

BAPTIST ASSOCIATION,

HELD WITH

North-Port Church,

TUSKALOOSA COUNTY, ALABAMA,

From the 14th to the 17th of Sept 18[illegible]

The next Session will be held with Little Sandy Church seven miles South of Tuskaloosa, on the Greensboro Road, commencing on Saturday, before the Third Sabbath in September, 18[illegible]

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MINUTES.

NORTH-PORT CHURCH, Tuscaloosa Co, Ala., Sept. 14, 1878.

1. The Tuscaloosa Baptist Association convened, in its Forty-Sixth Annual Session, with the North-Port Church, on Saturday, before the third Sabbath in September, 1878. Elder N. H. Williams, who was appointed at the last Session, to preach the Introductory Sermon, not being present, Elder J. T. Yerby, preached from John 9 : 4—"I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day ; the night cometh, when no man can work."

2. After taking a recess of two hours for dinner, the Delegates assembled for business, in the commodious Ware-house, kindly furnished by Bro. W. R. Dodson, and the Association was called to order by Bro. J. B. Eddins, the former Moderator. After singing a hymn, prayer was offered by Elder W. J. Herring.

3. The Association was then organized by the re-election of Bro. J. B. Eddins, Moderator.

Brethren J. H. Foster and N. H. Browne, at the request of the Moderator, read the Letters presented by the Delegates from the different Churches. (For list of Delegates, see Tabular Statement, at the end of these Minutes.)

4. The following Committees were then appointed by the Moderator, viz : to serve during the present Session :

Preaching—J. H. Foster, R. Caffee, and the Pastor and Deacons of North Port Church.

Nominations—W. H. Wilds, W. R. Dodson, S. R. Hamner.

Documents—J. H. Foster, W. A. Stowe, James Hogan.

Finance—R. F. Palmer, Wm. M. Mellown, James White.

Deceased Ministers—J. H. Foster, T. M. Barbour, N. H. Browne.

And the following to serve for one year :

Sunday Schools—N. H. Browne, H. W. Cole, W. M. Mellown.

State Missions—James Hogan, G. Strickland, F. M. Auxford.

Home Missions, S. B. C—J. H. Foster, A. D. Sanders, L. C. Pratt.

Foreign Missions—J. F. Lanneau, W. H. Wilds, Joseph Tibbs.

Education—R. Furman, H. H. Brown, D. A. Flournoy.

5. The Moderator then opened the door for the reception of unassociated Churches, when Letters, petitioning for admittance, were presented from Bibbville and Carroll's Creek, both newly constituted Churches, which were cordially received, and welcomed to seats, by the Moderator.

6. On motion, Prof. J. F. Lanneau, was received as a Messenger from the Alabama Central Female College, and cordially invited to a seat.

7. Received Correspondence as follows :

Union Association—Revs. J. C. Foster, J. Parker, J. A. Mitchell, and Brethren R. H. Foster and James Mills, Jr., with Letter and Minutes.

New River—Rev. J. E. Bell, and Brethren A. M. Nuckols, E. Melton and W. Nuckols, with Letter and Minutes.

North River—Rev. L. B. Harbin, and Brethren J. F. McDuff and L. Watts, with Letter and Minutes.

Harmony—Rev. S. V. McGinnis, with Letter and Minutes.

Cahaba—Brother R. Y. Woods.—No Letter or Minutes.

Mud Creek—Brother J. W. Osborne, with a Letter and Minute.

8. On motion, Rev. J. H. Foster was received as a representative of the State Mission Board, and requested to act in the room of Dr. Bailey, the State Missionary and Evangelist, who could not be present.

9. The following Resolution was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the Association shall take full time for the consideration of every important subject that may come before it, and that the Constitution be so amended as to read, "that any Delegate, who shall retire from the Association without leave, before the Session closes, shall have his name stricken from the Minutes, as a Delegate."

10. The Committee on Preaching reported :—That Rev. L. B. Harbin preach to-night. Prayer-Meeting to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock, to be conducted by Elder James Hogan ;—Elder J. H. Foster to preach the Annual Missionary Sermon, at 11 o'clock ;—That a Sunday School Mass-Meeting be held at 4 o'clock, P. M. Also, that Revs. J. A. Mitchell and W. J. Herring preach to the colored people, in Tuskaloosa Colored Baptist Church, at 3 o'clock, and Bro. J. W. Osborne preach to the colored people, in North-Port, at the same hour ; that Elders T. M. Barbour and James Hogan, preach to the colored people, in Tuskaloosa, at 7½ o'clock, P. M., and that Rev. J. E. Bell, of the New River Association, preach to the Associational Body, in North-Port, at the same hour.

The Association then adjourned till Monday morning, 9 o'clock. Prayer by Elder James Hogan.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 15th.

The exercises were conducted according to previous arrangement. Elder James Hogan conducted Prayer-Meeting at 9 o'clock. At 11 o'clock, the Annual Missionary Sermon was preached by Elder J. H. Foster, from Ps. 2 : 8—"Ask of me, and I shall give thee the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession." At the close of this Sermon, a collection was taken up for Missions, amounting to $21,80. At 4 o'clock, a large audience assembled for the Sunday School Mass Meeting Addresses were made by Brethren A. M. Nuckols, N. H. Browne and T. M. Barbour. The songs and music, rendered by the North Port Choir, on the occasion, as well as throughout the entire meeting of the Association, were exceedingly appropriate, touching, sweet, and unusually distinct. Elder J. E. Bell preached at night, from Matt. 16 : 24—"If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross and follow me."

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th, 9 o'clock, A. M.

11. The Association met pursuant to adjournment, and was opened with singing, and prayer by Bro. J. G. Lowery. The Minutes of Saturday and Sabbath were read and approved. The Roll was called and absentees noted.

12. Returned Correspondence, as follows :

MUD CREEK ASSOCIATION—J. Tibbs, W. M. Mellown, W. J. Herring, Wm. Roland, J. Robertson—Mellown to write the Corresponding Letter.

MULBERRY—T. M. Barbour, J. H. Payne, J. B. Eddins, J. G. Lowery, J. B. Davis—Lowery to write.

UNION—T. M. Barbour, J. B. Eddins, J. T. Yerby, J. F. Lanneau, L. R. Finnell, W. H. Wilds—Wilds to write.

CAHABA—J. H Payne, R. C. Caffee, N. Rogers—Payne to write.

NORTH RIVER—H. W. Cole, J. M. Chism, G T. Green, T. W. Smith—C E. Rice to write.

HARMONY—J. G. Lowery, J. H. Ward, R. C. Caffee, L. D. Browne, James Hogan, W. S. Smith—Hogan to write.

13. At the hour of 11 o'clock, it was agreed that the Association adjourn till 2 o'clock. Elder T. M. Barbour then proceeded to preach a brief, appropriate, and touching Funeral Sermon, in memory of Brother James Stamps, late of North Port Church.

MONDAY, 2½ o'clock, P. M.

The Association met, and was opened with prayer by Bro. J. W. Osborne.

14. The Report of the Committee on Sunday Schools, was, after much animated, and we hope, profitable discussion, adopted ; the Delegates pledging themselves, by a rising vote, to return to their respective Churches, and, in case they could find none more suitable than themselves, to take hold, and lead in this important work. The following is the Report :

The Committee on Sunday Schools report—That we have not information enough to undertake to make a statistical report of the work in our Association ; but while there are comparatively but few Schools, we are glad to note that there are several in successful operation, and we have reason to hope and believe, that good is being accomplished.

The Committee think it useless to go into an argument as to the importance of the Sunday School work, nor have we any particular plan to suggest by which the efficiency of this work can be increased. We earnestly recommend, that all the Churches make an honest and determined effort to establish a Sunday School in their midst, and make it "Evergreen,"

We hope the Association will consider this important subject prayerfully, and give the time and earnest attention to it that its importance demands. In conclusion, we call attention to the Sunday School Convention of our Association, which is to be held, next year, with the Gilgal Church, and we hope all the Churches will send delegates to that meeting, where important questions connected with the work will be discussed

H. H. BROWN, Chairman.

15. The Committee on State Missions, reported :

Your Committee on State Missions report :—The work undertaken and successfully inaugurated by this Board, is one of paramount importance. The leading object of this Board is to stir up every Church in the State to the full discharge of its duties. The agencies relied upon, for the accomplishment of this end are missionaries, appointed by the Board to visit these Churches and labor with them. The Churches are encouraged and urged to meet every Sabbath, for prayer and praise, and the study of God s Word. Destitute regions are supplied, to a limited extent, with preaching. Thirty-three Associations are already occupied. Seven hundred and seventy Churches were reported in July, as having been visited, and one hundred and ninety of which had already adopted the Scripture plan of meeting for worship, every Sabbath, and had put it into practical operation.

We cannot too strongly recommend the herculean work of this Board to the favorable and prayerful consideration and support of every Church, and every member of every Church composing this body.

We append the Report of Bro. Barbour, our District Missionary.

Respectfully Submitted, JOSHUA H. FOSTER, Chairman.

To the Executive Committee of the Tuskaloosa Baptist Association :

Dear Brethren:—In order that you may have some data, in reference to my work, I submit the following condensed Report:—Number of miles traveled, 1757 ; Sermons and Addresses delivered, 157 ; Received by Experience and Baptism, 11 ; Restored, 2 ; Churches Constituted, 1 ; Sunday Schools and Prayer Meetings, 14 ; Deacons Ordained, 2 ; Subscribers to Alabama Baptist, 24 ; Amount received on years salary, up to date, $222,68 ; all this amount, with the exception of thirty odd dollars, was collected in the Tusk. Associat'n.

Yours, Truly,

T. M. BARBOUR.

16. On motion, it was agreed to take up a collection to-night, in the name of this Association, for the yellow fever sufferers, and that said collection be sent to the Howard Association, in Memphis, Tenn., to be disposed of as they think proper. The collection amounted to $41,40. The Association then adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock. Prayer by Bro. J. G. Lowery. Rev. J. C. Foster preached at night, from Isa. 52 : 1—"Awake, awake, put on thy strength O Zion ; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city : for henceforth there shall no more come into thee uncircumcised and the unclean."

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th, 9 o'clock, A. M.

The Association met, and engaged, for a half hour, in devotional exercises, during which prayer was offered by Brethren R. S. Cox and H. H. Brown.

17. The Committee on Foreign Missions reported :

Your Committee on Foreign Missions, beg leave to report, 1st:—It is a well known fact, that the Southern Baptist Convention has, for a number of years, been prosecuting the work of Missions in China, Africa, and in Italy, with commendable zeal and gratifying success.—Your committee have no certain data by which they can report the number of conversions for the year past.

It is with gratitude to God, that we are able to report the wonderful success of our Northern Baptist Brethren in Southern India, where Bro. Clough, and his ordained native assistants, baptised, in three weeks, five thousand four hundred and twenty-nine converts. This is truly a Penticostal season with them. This Brother says, in a recent letter, "Since this great revival, the work goes on, widening and deepening; and now, as I write these lines, it seems to me that the blessed Gospel, which we try to preach, is going to sweep everything before it." Some of the Missionaries of our own Southern Zion have been broken down by exposure and excessive toil, which necessitated their recall to our shores. Some have regained their health and returned to their respective fields of labor. May God speedily restore the remainder, and raise up the others to go forth with them to the work.

2nd. The enlargement of the Mission field, for which we have so much occasion for gratitude, necessitates more liberal contributions than our Churches have been accustomed to give. Just *how* our Churches are to be aroused to this important work, we know not. We would affectionately remind them, however, that the spirit of Missions, is the spirit of Christ, "for God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whomsoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." Again, "All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth, go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world." Again, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature." Our Lord has said it is more blessed to give than to receive; he has *commanded* us to give, with assurances that we will be rewarded. "Give, and it shall be given unto you, good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall *men* give into your bosom." At this moment the Lord is opening the way for the spread of the Gospel truth in distant nations, as never before; therefore, let us give of our means, liberally and cheerfully for the support of those who are preaching the Gospel in heathen lands.

3rd. We are unwilling to close this report without urgently calling the attention of our Brethren to the fact, that the prosperity, the influence, and the growth of our churches, largely depend upon the fidelity with which the Mission work (both home and foreign) is prosecuted. When we fail in this matter, then we become essentially unlike Christ No church, habitually neglecting this duty, can have any rightful claim to be called a church of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

T. M. BARBOUR, Ch'm.

18. The Committee on Education made the following report:

The records of all Christian Bodies, contain exhortations on the subject of Education — Along every highway, and in every country, we find, side by side, the Church spire and the School-house—and oftentimes, in our own and other countries, preacher and teacher, in turn, labor in the selfsame building, dedicated jointly to the culture of mind and heart. This connection is seen not only in favored civilized lands, but also in benighted heathen regions —on Greenland's icy mountains, and by India's coral strand. In China and Japan and Africa, and on the islands of the sea, wherever our devoted Missionaries press their toilsome way, they uniformly employ the school as an effective helpmeet to the Church. Indeed, our blessed Lord and Master, when in the flesh, establishing his spiritual kingdom on earth, assembled around him a *select few*, whom he taught, day by day, during his active ministry.—He taught the multitude, and he gave *special* instruction to his immediate disciples—he is indeed the Great Teacher. Such, in general terms, are some of the *facts* showing the necessary and intimate connection between Christianity and Education.

Why this connection, is a question needless to ask. The reasons are obvious. Our christianity is based on an enlightened conscience, and enlightenment depends on mental activity, as well as on blessed influences of the Holy Spirit. Christianity is aggressive, and its weapons are not casual, but spiritual and intellectual. The children of this world *ought not* to be wiser than the children of light. Hence, the urgency of the claims of Education *upon us*, as the people of God—as those unto whom has been committed the great work of evangelizing the world, of winning the heathen multitudes from the power, the pollution, and the condemnation of sin, and leading them into the marvellous light and liberty of the Gospel.

Your committee would like to insist upon the duty, the sacred duty, of parents to their children, in this matter of Education; and also, upon the duty of Churches and the Association, in the matter of encouraging suitable young men to enter upon a course of patient, earnest study, preparatory to the Gospel ministry.

We therefore, urge upon your attention, such Institutions as our Southern Baptist Theo-

logical Seminary, at Louisville, Ky.; our denominational schools at Marion, Ala., the Howard and Judson, and our special Institution, the Alabama Central Female College, at Tuscaloosa, Ala. We urge our brethren to do their *whole* duty to their sons and their daughters—making sacrifices, if need be, to give them the benefit of the very best Educational facilities.

Respectfully Submitted.

JNO. F. LANNEAU, Ch'm.

19. The Committee on Home Missions reported :

The Committee on Home Missions, beg leave to report:—There seems to be no pressing necessity for a lengthy report at this time. Enough, however, has been accomplished, by the blessings of God, to give *earnest* of its efficiency in the fields contemplated in its establishment, if the Board shall be properly sustained. These objects seem to be 1st, to supply the destitution of the Gospel in places in the Southern States not met by the State Board; and 2nd, to aid, as far as may be, in diffusing Gospel truth into the territories of the United States Government.

The Report of Mr. W. H. McIntosh, the Corresponding Secretary to the last Southern Baptist Convention, showed receipts for the year previous, of something more than thirteen thousand dollars, and gave account of encouraging results, not only in the States, but especially, in the Territories where the work has been prosecuted under the auspices of the Board. The untiring, self-denying labors of our Missionaries, among the Indians, are being largely blessed. A good many schools have been established among different tribes; and some have been attended with great success. The desire for education and knowledge, and their attainments, have fully met the highest expectations of the friends of the Board. A good many Churches have been formed in different localities, and several natives have become Ministers of the Gospel, and are quite active and useful co-workers in sowing the seeds of knowledge, in teaching their own benighted countrymen the arts of civilized life—and the sweet manna of heavenly grace, is being instilled into the hearts of the wild men and women of the forest.

We are glad to know, that the Board is free from debt, and it hopefully looks forward to increased offerings the present year; that it may go forward, in the providence of God, to still greater achievements. Let us all hope that, with the united christian zeal, energy and benefactions of our people, these "worshippers at the shrines of red men" may be called from their spiritual "darkness into the marvellous light" of God; that these "children of the forest" are to be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God."

Respectfully Submitted,

N. H. BROWNE, Chairman

On motion, adjourned till 2 o'clock. Prayer by Elder R. Furman.

TUESDAY, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Association met, and was opened with prayer by Bro. A. M. Nuckols.

20. The following Report of the Committee on Finance, was adopted :

We, the Committee on Finance, report:—We have received for Minutes, $30 45; for Associational purposes, $13,85; State Missions, Big Creek Church, $8,00; Collection for Missions, on Sabbath, $31,86; Foreign Missions, $1,20; State Missions, from Colored Baptist Church, Tuskaloosa, $1,05.—Total, $86,41.

Respectfully Submitted,

R. F. PALMER, Chairman.

21. The Committee on Documents reported :

The Committee on Documents, beg leave to offer the following Report:—With reference to the request of Mt. Moriah Church, for increased number of delegates, we would recommend that Article Five, of the Constitution be amended by striking out the word "Three," and inserting the word Four.

With reference to the request of Bethany Church, "for the printing of the regular file of Minutes in book form." We would recommend, that as the Association has not the money on hand to pay for the printing of the file of Minutes, at the present, it be done as soon as a sufficient number of the books shall be subscribed and paid for, to cover the cost of printing, and that the matter be referred to the Executive Committee.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. H. FOSTER, Ch'm.

22. The Committee on Deceased Ministers reported :

The Committee on Deceased Ministers, to whom was referred the Memorial of the North Port Church, in reference to the death of Rev. John Brown, have carefully read the same, and recommend that it form a part of this report, and be incorporated into the Minutes of the Association.

The Committee would add that in the death of Brother Brown, the sad loss falls not only upon his own Church, but most heavily and sorely upon the entire Association. A native of the State of Tennessee, Bro. Brown was brought by his father to Tuscaloosa County, Alabama, when quite a small boy. In early manhood, he embraced the religion of Jesus Christ, and joined the Baptist Church, at Chapel Hill. He was ever faithful to the sacred cause he had espoused, and uniformly discharged his duties as a consistent, exemplary member of the church. He loved the service of his Master, and was a cheerful, ardent worker in the "vineyard of the Lord." Shortly after the war between the States, he became a Minister of the Gospel, was regularly ordained, and for many years, proclaimed with power and efficiency, "Him in whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sin, according to the riches of his grace." Many of the churches in the Association, cherish the fondest recollections of his faithful, able and useful ministry. Owing to some affection of the throat, he was compelled, in great measure, to abandon the pulpit, for the last few years of his life: but his interest and zeal never ceased.

His brethren of this Association, often elected him their Moderator, to preside over its annual meetings—a position which he always filled with complete satisfaction. He was loved and esteemed for his manly, noble rssolves, and was much more than usually distinguished for the fixedness of purpose, with which he sustained and prosecuted them. Of vigorous thought, and eminently sound and practical views, he did not fail to impress them upon those with whom he mingled. Kind, genial and social in disposition, yet decided and firm in his convictions, his influences for good in his "day and generation" were great. The Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution, as in some sense expressive of their appreciation of the loss sustained in the death of their lamented brother:—

Resolved, That in the death of Rev. John Brown, this Association has lost a pious christian, a wise counsellor, and a devoted Minister of the Gospel, whose example is worthy of imitation by those who survive him.

2nd. It is gratifying to know, that while living, he sowed the good seeds of Gospel truth, which will still spring up and bear fruit many days hence.

3d. That the Clerk forward a copy of this Report to the Ala. Baptist, for publication.

Respectfully Submitted,

N. H. BROWN, Ch'm

23. The Executive Committee made the following report:

To the Tuscaloosa Baptist Association:

Dear Brethren:—In making our Annual Report, we are deeply impressed with the magnitude of the work that should be done within the bounds of our Association. Probably there is no portion of our State so destitute of Ministers, as that part of our Association lying West of the Warrior River. The dearth of religion existing in so many of our Churches, brought to our knowledge by the report of the State Missionary, and the scarcity of pastors, calls for our *prayerful, calm, and earnest* deliberation. In many Churches, no Sunday School, no Prayer-Meeting, and but little preaching. These things ought not so to be, and if they ought not to be, there should be an existing remedy. We earnestly hope the Brethren, here assembled, will take this matter to heart, and with implicit trust in the great Head of the Church, and resting upon the infallible promises of Christ, "Ask, and ye shall receive; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it *shall* be opened unto you." Seek, through the infinite wisdom which is given liberally to every one who asketh, to devise some means, whereby this destitution may be supplied, and a deeper work of grace wrought in the hearts of the individual membership of the Churches. In view of these facts, we are painfully impressed with the conviction, that too little time is given by the Association to the consideration of the great subject requiring our attention, and recommend that this Body do now resolve to take sufficient time for full discussion of every important measure.

We further recommend, that Article Five, of the Constitution, be so amended as to read, after the words, "and no more," that the name of any Delegate who shall absent himself before the adjournment of the Body, without leave, shall not be inserted in the Minutes.

We call your attention to the fact, that there is a deficit of about four hundred dollars on the salary of our State Missionary. We ask you to take this matter into consideration, as we are unable to devise any definite plan which is adequate to the demands of the case.—The only partial remedy which we are able to suggest, after the failure of well concerted plans, heretofore inaugurated, is that the Executive Committee of this Association, to be appointed at this Session, be instructed to correspond with the Executive Committees of the Union, New River, and Mulberry Associations, to see how much can be realized to make up said deficit.

We further recommend, that this Association be united with the Union, New River, and Mulberry Associations, to form one district, and that the Executive Committee be instructed to inform the State Board of our action, and to urge Bro. Bailey, Secretary of the State Board, to come at once into this field, to aid in raising the salary of Bro. Barbour, for last

year, as well as establishing the work of the Mission—and also, to request the State Board to appoint Bro. Barbour as the Missionary for this District for the ensuing year.

We further recommend, in view of the needs of our weaker Churches, that the Executive Committee be instructed to employ an Associational Missionary to labor with the Churches West of the Warrior River, and that pledges be received at this session of the Associatson, for this purpose, provided, that a sufficiency is pledged to justify the appointment.

Respectfully Submitted,
W A. STOWE, Sec'y. Ex. Com.

N. B.—We have received reports from five Churches, in the first and second District, that there has been pledged for State Mission Work for the ensuing year, a sum equal to $185,00, with a probable additional amount sufficient to make $225,00, and from information gained, we think we can safely estimate that four hundred dollars can be raised for State Mission Work for the ensuing year, within this Association.

24. On motion, agreed to divide the collection, taken up for Missions, on Sunday, as follows :

That the funds collected for Missionary purposes, be appropriated as follows :—To Home Missions, $10,00 ; To Foreign Missions, $10,00 ; To State Missions, $2,09, to be applied on deficit of Bro Barbour's salary for last year.

25. The Committee on Nominations reported :

Your Committee on Nominations, beg leave to make the following Report :—To preach the Introductory Sermon, Rev. J. H Foster—Rev. James Hogan, Alternate. Missionary Sermon—Rev. J. T. Yerby. Executive Committee—J. H. Foster, N H, Browne, G. T. Greene, C. E. Rice, J B. Eddins, J. W. Brown, and H. H. Brown. To write Circular Letter—Jno. F. Lanneau State Convention—J. H. Foster, T. M. Barbour, J. T. Yerby, James Hogan, J. H. Payne, J. B. Eddins, H. H. Brown, J G. Lowery, C. E. Rice, G T. Green, W. R. Dodson, W. A. Stowe, Jno. F. Lanneau, and N. H. Browne. To revise Circular—N. H. Browne, and T. M. Barbour.

Respectfully Submitted,
W. H WILDS, Ch'm.

26. The Committee on Circular Letter reported :

Your Committee on Circular Letter Report :—We have read the Letter carefully, and approve it. We recommend its adoption and printing in the Minutes.

JOSHUA H. FOSTER, Ch'm.

27. Letters to Corresponding Bodies were read and adopted :

28. The following are the Reports of the District Meetings :

Report of the First District.—The next meeting of the First District, will be held with Mt. Moriah Church, beginning Friday, before the first Sunday in Sept. 1879. Introductory Sermon, by Elder T. M. Barbour—Elder S. V. McGinnis, Alternate. First question for discussion :—" What are the Bible directions for the spread of Gospel truth ?" W. F. Goodson, to open. 2nd. "What ought to be done with a member who refuses to contribute of his means to the support of the Gospel ?" Jno. H. Ward, to open.

JNO. G. LOWERY, Clerk. JAMES HOGAN, Moderator.

Report of the Second District —The next meeting to convene with Gilgal Church, on Friday, before the second Sunday in Sept. 1879, Introductory Sermon by Rev. James Hogan—Rev. J. H Foster, Alternate. Discussion, Friday Afternoon :—" What do the Scriptures teach with reference to the spread of Gospel truth ?". W. H Wilds, to open. Saturday morning discussion :—" What reference have the commands recorded in Matthew, Chap. 28th, and verses 19-20 ; and Mark, Chap, 16th, verse 15, to the individual membership of our Churches ?" W. F. Goodson, to open.

The next meeting of the Association to be with Little Sandy Church.

W H. WILDS, Clerk. J. B. DAVIS, Moderator.

Report of the Third District —The next meeting will be held with the Salem Church, commencing Friday, before the first Sabbath in Sept , 1879. Rev. T. M. Barbour to preach the Introductory Sermon—J, H. Foster, Alternate Subject for discussion :—First, " Does the Scripture teach it to be the duty of each Church to have its own pastor ?" To be opened by H H. Brown and H. W. Cole. Second, " What are the best methods for the speedy proclamation of the Gospel ?" To be opened by R. S. Cox and J. M. McDuff.

J. P. BURKS, Clerk. T. M. BARBOUR, Moderator.

Report of the Fourth District.—The next meeting of the Fourth District will convene with the Bethany Church commencing on Friday, before the third Sabbath in August, 1879.—

Rev. J. M. Chism to preach the Introductory Sermon—Rev. T. M. Barbour, Alternate. First question for discussion :—" Were certain Brethren re-baptized with water when the Apostle Paul met at Ephesus?" recorded in the Acts of the Apostles, Chap. 19th, verses 2, 3, 4, 5, & 6. To be opened by J. R. Mayfield & G. L. Traweek. 2d, "Has a Church the right to exclude a Deacon from her fellowship, in point of doctrine, without the aid of a Presbytry?" To be opened by L. R. Finnell & James White.

G. L. TRAWEEK, Clerk. J. M. CHISM, Moderator.

29. The following Resolution, in reference to representation in other Associations, was adopted :

Resolved, That any member of this Association, known to be in good standing, is authorized to represent this Body in any of our sister Associations with whom we correspond.

30. The following Resolutions, expressive of the thanks of this Body, to the Citizens and the Church of North Port, were adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Association, be tendered to the citizens of North Port, and vicinity, and to the members of North Port Church, for their generous hospitality in supporting the Association.

Resolved, That we hereby tender the thanks of the Association to Bro. W. R. Dodson, for the use of the Warehouse, in which this very pleasant session has been held, and also to the citizens of North Port, who have contributed to render it so comfortable and complete in its appointments.

PROGRAMME OF SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The next Sunday School Convention will be held with Gilgal Church, commencing on Friday, before the 4th Sabbath in July, 1879. *Friday Morning, Sermon* by Elder T. M. Barbour ; Elder J. T. Yerby, Alternate. *Evening Discussion* :—What is the duty of the Pastor, and of the Clergy at large, to the Sunday School? Opened by H. H. Brown *Saturday Morning, Discussion :* What has been accomplished by the Sabbath School, and what may still be accomplished? Opened by D. A. Flournoy. *Sabbath Morning*—Sunday School Mass Meeting, Address, &c. We urge upon all the Churches, the necessity and importance of this great work, and earnestly solicit their sympathy and hearty co-operation.

J. G. LOWERY, Clerk.

It being made known to the Association, that a large part of the salary of Elder T. M. Barbour, District Missionary and Evangelist, still remained unpaid, cash contributions, from the Delegates present, were taken up, amounting to $75,00, in aid of this object. Also, the amount of $75,00 was promptly subscribed, to pay an Evangelist, to canvass and preach, in the destitute portion of this Association, North of the Warrior River.

31. The following Resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That we recognize Prof. J. F. Lanneau, President of the Ala. Central Female College, as an able and efficient instructor of young ladies, and that we heartily recommend this Institution to the members of this Association, to the Baptist Denomination, and to the Public at large.

32. On motion, it was ordered that the Association Fund be paid to the Clerk for his services ; and the Minute Fund be applied to the printing of these Minutes ; and that the Minutes, when printed, shall be deposited, for distribution, at the Store of Mr. J. D. Spiller, in Tuskaloosa, and at the Store of Messrs. Bell & Freeman, in North-Port.

33. The following Resolution, relating to the "Ala. Baptist," was adopted :

Resolved, That we heartily endorse the "Alabama Baptist," as our State Denominational Organ, and would earnestly recommend all the members of this Association to subscribe for it, read it, and work for it.

34. On motion, it was agreed, that after singing, prayer, and taking the parting hand, the Association should adjourn, to meet with Little Sandy Church, 7 miles South of Tuskaloosa, on the Greensboro' Road, on Saturday, before the 1st Sabbath in September, 1879. Thus closed this most delightful Session, for which we hope we shall all be able, for days to come, to thank and praise our God. Prayer by Elder T. M. Barbour.

J. B. EDDINS, Moderator.

J. T. YERBY, Stated Clerk.

CIRCULAR LETTER.—*(On the Tenth Article of Faith)*

"We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and in the General Judgment, and that the felicity of the righteous and punishment of the wicked will be eternal."

The resurrection of the dead is a fundamental Article of the Christian Faith. So Paul argued to the church at Corinth, in the 15th chapter of his first Epistle to the Corinthians. Some of them, influenced by doctrines taught by philosophers of that time, seemed to think that they could be Christians and yet not accept the doctrine of the resurrection. But Paul wrote to them: "If the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised, and if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins." And he proved to them that Christ was raised, having been seen, after his resurrection, by the Apostles and others, and by above five hundred brethren at once, most of whom were then alive, and, lastly, by himself. Then it would follow, as a matter of course, if God was able to raise up Christ from the dead on the third day, and did so raise him up, as was predicted, he could also raise every other member of the human family, and would do so, in accordance with the teachings of Christ and his Apostles.

The Jews, in the time of Christ, were familiar with the id a that there would be a resurrection from the dead. Christ says: (Luke 14; 14) "Thou shalt be recompensed at the resurrection of the just;" without explaining what he meant by THE RESURRECTION, and seemed to speak in accordance with the popular belief. In John 11; 24, "Martha saith to him: I know that he (i. e. Lazarus) shall rise again in the resurrection, at the last day." And Paul, in his defence before Felix, Acts 24; 15, "I have hope toward God, which they themselves (i. e. the Jews) also allow, that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and unjust." Acts 23; 8, Luke says: "For the Sadducees say, that there is no resurrection, neither angel nor spirit, but the Pharisees confess both." In preaching to the Jews, excepting the Sadducees, it is reasonable to conclude that the Apostles met with little or no difficulty as to the doctrine of the resurrection; but the Gentiles, as the Athenians and Corinthians, were not accustomed to such an idea. They generally believed in the immortality of the soul, or a life after death, but they had not been taught that there would be a resurrection of the body. Indeed, that was contrary to all their religious systems. For us, who have been used, all our lives, to be taught that there will be a resurrection from the dead, it is necessary to follow the instructions laid down in the Bible and form our belief accordingly. But, by some of us, as by some of the Corinthians, the question may be asked: "How are the dead raised up and with what body do they come"? In the 15th chapter of 1st Cor., Paul says much on the subject; and every one not familiar with the whole chapter should read it carefully for himself. In verse 44, we read: "It is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body." By the expression SPIRITUAL BODY, some able and learned commentators consider that a body is meant, not one composed of spirit, but one suited to the indwelling or habitation of a spirit, though it may be material; and in verse 50, Paul says: "Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God." And then he says: "Behold, I show you a mystery. "We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump; (for the trumpet shall sound) and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed." In Paul's first Epistle to the Thessolonians—one of the earlier of the Epistles—4; 16, 17, he says. "The Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God, and the dead in Christ shall rise first; then we which are alive and remain, shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air, and so shall we ever be with the Lord." John; 5 28, 29, Christ says: "Marvel not at this; for the hour is coming in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice and come forth, they that have done good unto the resurrection of life, and they that have done evil unto the resurrection of damnation." We read in Acts 1; 3, that Christ was seen by the Apostles, after his resurrection, for 40 days. He told his disciples (Luke 24) that he was not a spirit, as they supposed; for "A spirit hath not flesh and bones as ye see me have." "And he did eat before them." Acts 10; 40, 41, Peter says to Cornelius: "Him God raised up the 3d day, and shewed him openly, not to all the people, but to witnesses chosen before of God, even to us who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead." We are told 1st John 3; 2, that "when he shall appear we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is." Paul says in Phil. 3; 20, 21, "Our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall change our vile body that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself."

The General Judgment is closely connected with the Resurrection; and several passages that might be quoted to prove one, teach also the other. It was predicted in the Old Testament. Ec. 12; 14, "God shall bring every work into judgment with every secret thing, whether it be good or whether it be evil." Ps. 96; 13, "For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth; he shall judge the world with righteousness, and the people with his truth." It is mentioned in Heb. 6; 2, in connection with the resurrection of the dead. Rev. 20; 12, "And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God, and the books were opened; and another book was opened which is the book of life, and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works." Acts 17; 31, Paul says, while addressing the Athenians: "He hath appointed a day, in the which he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained, whereof he hath given assurance unto all men, in that he hath raised him from the dead." Rom. 2; 16, Paul says: "In the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my Gospel."

Angels also are to be judged. Jude 6th verse, "And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains, under darkness, unto the judgment of the great day." 2nd Pet. 2; 4, "God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast them down to hell and delivered them into chains of darkness to be reserved unto judgment."

That the felicity of the righteous and the punishment of the wicked will be eternal, seems to be the plain teaching of Scripture. In Matt. 25, beginning with verse 31, Christ, the Son of man, is represented as having all nations gathered before him, and separating "them, one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats," having "the sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left." In verse 34, "Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand: Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." Verse 41, "Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the Devil and his angels." And, in verse 46, "These shall go away into everlasting punishment, but the righteous into life eternal." Matt. 13; 49, 50, "So shall it be at the end of the world; the angels shall come forth and sever the wicked from among the just, and

shall cast them into the furnace of fire ; there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth." And, in verse 41—43, "The son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his Kingdom all things that offend and them which do iniquity, and shall cast them into a furnace of fire ; there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father," Prov. 14 ; 32, "The wicked is driven away in his wickedness : but but the righteous hath hope in his death." Now, where no hope is, despair must reign. In 2d Pet. 3 ; 7, we read of "The day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men." Mark, 9th chapter, we find the following : "The fire that never shall be quenched, where their worm dieth not and the fire is not quenched."

Enough has been written to prove the Article 10th, with which we set out. Much more might be said, and several more quotations brought forward : but it is not deemed necessary or expedient to say more. And, now, dear Brethren, "Be ye steadfast, unmoveable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord."

R. FURMAN.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. The Association shall be composed of members chosen by the different Churches in our Union, who, on producing their credentials, shall be entitled to seats.

2. The members thus chosen and convened, shall be known by the name of THE TUSCALOOSA BAPTIST ASSOCIATION, which shall have the privilege to enact and carry out Missionary purposes in all their bearings—yet, so as that the Churches and individual members are left free ; and that giving or withholding shall not be a bar to fellowship.

3. The Association shall usurp no authority over the Churches in our Union or infringe any of their internal rights ; but shall merely be considered an advisory council, in all matters relative to their internal concerns ; nevertheless, it becomes necessary, in some cases to have a uniform rule of procedure, namely : If one church commit an offence against another, it shall be the duty of the offended to labor with the offender for satisfaction ; if she fail of success, she shall call the aid of two or more churches in our union to assist in laboring for satisfaction, and if final satisfaction, in the opinion of the helps thus called, be not obtained, the aggrieved may bring the case before the Association, which shall be taken up and decided upon according to its merits. If a serious difference should arise in an individual church, which, upon due labor, cannot be reconciled, she shall call the aid of two or more sister churches, to assist in the work ; and if a reconciliation be not effected, the helps so called, or the church, may bring the case before the Association to be acted on according to its merits ; but the Association will take cognizance of no case of the above kind, unless a due course of procedure shall have been previously pursued according to the economy of the church discipline, found in the 18th chapter of the Gospel of St. Mathew, and other parts of the Scriptures, which define the nature of offences ; and the manner of bringing offenders to trial.

4. The churches in our union shall transmit to every annual session of the Association written communications, specifying the names of their delegates, their number in fellowship, baptized, received by letter, restored, dismissed, excommunicated, and deceased, which shall be read and minuted accordingly.

5. Every church in our union shall be entitled to representation in the following manner : each church shall be entitled to send four delegates, and no more. Any church failing to represent herself as above prescribed, shall state her reasons at the next session. Any delegate retiring from the Association, without leave, before the Body adjourns, shall have his name stricken from the Minutes of that Session.

6. New churches may be admitted into our union, by delegates bearing petitionary letters. If, upon due examination, they are found orderly and orthodox, the Moderator shall manifest their admission by giving their delegates the right hand in token of Christian fellowship.

7. The Association, when convened, shall be governed by a regular and proper decorum, which she is authorized to form and amend according to her own views.

8. At every session of the Association, a Moderator shall be appointed by, and from the delegates present, whose duty it shall be to see that the rules are strictly observed, and to take the voice of the Association on all subjects legally introduced. A stated clerk shall be appointed, who shall continue in office until the Association shall elect his successor, and whose duty it shall be to take proper and correct minutes of the proceedings, and to keep a regular file of the printed minutes of every session of this body, which he is to present to the view of the Association annually. An assistant clerk may be elected each year, if necessary.

9. The Association shall have power to exclude from the union any church that may violate the constitution, or depart from the orthodox principles of the constitution.

10 The Association shall furnish the Minutes of every session to the churches making contributions for that purpose.

11. Every query sent by a particular church must be included in her letter, certifying

that she has endeavored to reconcile it, but failed. In such a case, the Association shall take it under consideration, and the voice of a majority shall be considered an advisory answer, which shall be entered on the minutes.

12. Queries which immediately concern the general union of the churches sent by a particular church, or introduced by a propor motion, shall be taken up and decided on as soon as practicable.

13. Any church in our union having a preacher whom she deems worthy of ordination, shall call a presbytery of ministers from sister churches to officiate in the work; and all presbyteries, in the ordaining of ministers or deacons, or in the constituting of churches, shall be governed by the Abstract of Faith adopted by this Association.

14. The Association shall have a fund, supplied by the voluntary contributions of the churches; and all moneys thus contributed shall be transmitted from the churches by their delegates and paid over to the committee on finance. This committee shall be appointed annually, whose duty it shall be to receive in charge the Association fund, and dispose of the same agreeably to order; and make, at every session, a fair and circumstantial report of their proceedings

15. The Association shall not adjourn any session until she shall have finished all business on hand, except in extraordinary cases.

16. The minutes of the Association shall be read and corrected if necessary, and signed by the Moderator and Clerk, before the session rises.

17. The Association shall, in all cases (except to amend the constitution) be governed by a majority of the members present.

18. Amendments to this constitution may be made at any session of the Association, when two thirds of its members present shall deem it necessary.

ARTICLES OF FAITH.

Article 1. We believe in only one true and living God, the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost.

2. We believe that the Scriptures, comprising the Old and New Testament, are the Word of God, the only rule of faith and practice.

3. We believe in the doctrine of Election, and that God chose his people in Christ, before the foundation of the world.

4. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

5. We believe in man's incapability, by his own free will and ability, to recover himself from the fallen state in which he is by nature

6. We believe that sinners are justified in the sight of God by the imputed righteousness of Christ only.

7. We believe that God's elect shall be called, regenerated, and sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

8. We believe that the Saints shall be preserved in Grace, and never fall finally away.

9. We believe that Baptism and the Lord's Supper are Ordinances of Jesus Christ, and that true believers are the only subjects of Baptism, and that by immersion is the Apostolic mode.

10. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, and in the General Judgment and that the felicity of the righteous, and punishment of the wicked will be eternal.

11. We believe that no minister has any right to administer the Ordinances of the Gospel, but one who is regularly baptized, called, and comes under the imposition of the hands of a Presbytery.

12. We believe that none but regularly baptized members have a right to commune at the Lord's table.

RULES OF DECORUM.

Article 1. The Association shall be opened and closed with prayer.

2. The Moderator shall be considered a judge of order, and shall have a discretionary right to call to order at any time.

3. A member not satisfied with his decision, may appeal to the Association on the same day, but at no other time.

4. But one member shall speak at a time, who shall rise to his feet, and, on obtaining permission, proceed.

5. The Moderator, when addressed by a member for permission to speak, shall signify the same by naming the person, or otherwise.

6. No member shall be interrupted while speaking, unless he depart from the subject or use words of personal reflection. Every motion made and seconded, shall come under the consideration of the Association, unless withdrawn by him who made it.

7. Every case taken up by the Association shall be decided on or withdrawn before another shall be offered.

8. When a question is taken up, after allowing time for the debates, the Moderator shall take

the voice of the Association on the subject, in such mode as he may determine.

9. The Moderator shall announce the decision to the body.

10. Any member wishing to retire, shall obtain permission of the Moderator.

11. No member shall speak more than twice to the same proposition, without permission of the Association, nor more than once till every member wishing to speak shall have spoken ; nor shall any proposition be made to close the subject until the debates have been carried through.

12. The appellation of brother shall be used in the Association by members in their address to one another.

13. The names of members shall be called as often as the Association may direct.

14. No member shall be tolerated in any practice which tends to interrupt public speaking.

15. The Moderator shall be entitled to the same privilege of speaking as any other member, provided he appoint another to his seat during the time but he shall not vote on any question unless the Association be equally divided.

16. Any member violating these rules, shall be reproved by the Moderator at his discretion, but only on the day the breach shall have been made.

Memorial with regard to the death of Rev. Jno. Brown, by North Port Church

In the death of Bro. John Brown, we have, as a Church, sustained a great loss ; but we feel assured that our loss has been his eternal gain, and we sorrow not for him as for those who die without hope. We could say many things in praise of the many good deeds and charitable acts of Bro. Brown, while living, but believing that the Christian needeth not nor desireth not the praises of men, whether dead or living, we therefore recommend and admonish the members of the Church, especially the young, to remember and practice the pious example and charitable deeds of our worthy Brother. In our estimation, our departed Brother, while living, was a blessing to the Church and Ministry, and being dead, he now speaks, and will ever speak, by his exalted character, to our minds and consciences, in language as full of sweetness as it is of power. His courage, practical good sense, and ardent devotion to the cause of his Master, eminently fitted him for the arduous task of the Ministry ; but none regretted, more than himself, that the Churches enjoyed only an occasional service from him, for the last four or five years of his life, in consequence of a disease of the throat ; but as the writer has heard him say, " It was the Lord, let him do as seemeth good to him."

Adopted by the North Port Church, Saturday, Sept. 7th, 1878.

CHURCHES.	DELEGATES. Ordained Ministers printed in SMALL CAPITALS. Absentees marked thus (*)	Baptised,	Rec. by Letter,	Restored,	Dismissed,	Excluded,	Died,	Total,	Minute Fund,	Assist. Fund,	Date of Constitution,	Monthly M.,	PASTORS.	POST-OFFICE
Mt. Moriah,	JAS. HOGAN, R. C. Caffee, Joseph Tibbs,		1	1	20	1		77	2 00	1 00	1827	4	W L Cochrane,	Scottsville.
Shultz Creek,	W. C. Pratt, L. C. Pratt,* A. Blake,*			2	12	2	1	84	2 00	50	1830	1	Daniel Ward,	do
Sardis,	J. G. Lowery, W. S. Smith, J. A. M. Ward,	1	5		1			34	1 50	50	1819	2	S V McGinnis,	Clements' Sta'n
Mt. Zion,	S. H. Curry, O. J. Hall, D. A. Mitchell,	1				1		49	1 00	75	1850	2	N H Williams,	Smallwood's.
Bethel,	W. M. Mellown, O. R. Morris,* E. Lawless,*						2	16	50		1876	3	N H Williams,	do
Bibbville,	W. J. HERRING, D. A. Flournoy, N. J. Tibbs,*	2	11					36	2 00	1 00	1877	2	J T Yerby,	Tuskaloosa.
Hopewell,	J. Robertson, A. Simpson,				1			28	1 50	50	1836	1	J T Yerby,	do
Tuskaloosa,	C. A. Hester, N. H. Browne, W. A. Stowe,	33	11		10		1	188	2 00	1 00	1818	1	W W Sanders,	do
Gilgal,	J. T. YERBY, J. B. Eddins, W. H. Wilds,	1	3	2	8	1		88	2 50	1 50	1828	4	J T Yerby,	do
Little Sandy,	T. M. BARBOUR, J. B. Davis, E. W. Davis,							44	50	1 25	1836	3	J T Yerby,	do
Big Sandy,	J. H. Payne, G. W. Smith, F. M. Auxford		3	4	3	2	3	56	2 00	50	1857	2	W A Bishop,	Carthage.
North Port,	S. R. Hamner, W. R. Dodson, R. F. Palmer,	15	3		4	1	3	65	2 00	1 00	1839	2	W W Sanders,	Tuskaloosa
Chapel Hill,	Peter Hall, J. M. Watkins, J. W. Watkins,							21	75	25	1838	1	None,	
Carroll's Creek	G. W. Hassell, I. Martin, C. B. Fair,	6	2					18	1 00	50	1177	1	J T Yerby,	Tuskaloosa.
Pleasant Hill,	J. Shackelford,							17	1 00				Jos. Hosmer,	Clements' Sta'n
Salem,	T. W. Smith, Joseph Appling, H. W. Cole,				2		1	61	1 00	1 00	1824	4	G W Gravlee,	Newtonville.
Bethabara,	D. Montgomery, T. H. Wheat, G. L. Trawcek,	1		1		1		41	1 55	50	1843	4	J J Stewart,	do
Big Creek,	A. D. Sanders, Sr., J. P. Doughty, A. D. Sanders, Jr.,	2	1				1	50	1 00	50	1820	2	None.	
Bethany,	L. R. Finnell, W. R. Hughes, J. R. Campbell,	9	2		1	1		49	1 20	35	1833	3	J A Mitchell,	Sipsey Turnpike
Dunn's Creek,	James White, L. Brown, G. D. Mayfield	13	3	2	8	1	1	135	2 00	50	1834	2	J M Chism,	Palmetto.
Spring Hill,	J. Guin, J R. Rogers, H. Brazeal,							37	75	25		2	G W Gravlee,	Newtonville
Moore's Bridge	G. Strickland, J. M. Mills,* A. Lambert,							37	1 00	50	1859	3	None.	
Mt. Tabor,	Not Represented.													
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